

## THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

GENERAL DIAZ has returned to New York.

FRANK M. JONES, a calker, suicided in St. Louis by shooting.

THE new postal money order rates will go into effect September 8.

THE new two-cent postage stamp will bear the vignette of Washington.

ROBERT MASSEY was hanged Friday at Fort Smith, Ark. Jas. E. Robinson was hanged at Carrollton, Miss.

JOHN J. JENNINGS, the St. Louis reporter who entered a lion's den and was attacked by the beasts, is recovering.

THE first cotton factory in Wisconsin was opened Thursday, at Sheboygan Falls. It gives employment to 500 people.

THE cannibal, Alfred G. Packer, on trial at Denver for murdering his five companions in 1872, and eating of their flesh, has been found guilty.

At Leavenworth, Kan., while playing with a revolver, which he didn't know was loaded, Enos Alliance, aged ten, fatally shot his brother Alfred, aged four.

WILLIAM REED, of New York, says: "I am willing to match Mike Donovan to fight Mitchell, the English champion, at 145 pounds for \$1,000 a side, open to \$2,000."

JOHN SANDERS, a brakeman on the Alabama and Great Southern railroad, fell from his train at Atlanta, Tenn., yesterday morning, and his head was cut entirely off.

THE suit against ex-Mayor DeBoeize, of Long Island City, to recover \$108,000 funds belonging to that city, claimed to be embezzled by defendant, resulted in a verdict for \$100,700.

J. T. HOLLAND, the inventor and reputed owner of the torpedo ram, which has been missing from Jersey City since last Monday morning, says he has not the remotest idea of her whereabouts.

THE trouble between the union and non-union men at Springfield, Ill., resulted in an attack by the former on the latter with firearms. One man was shot dead and another fatally wounded.

SERGEANT LYON and Private John Howard, both colored, of Company E, Ninth Cavalry, stationed at Fort Lyon, Colo., quarreled Thursday about Howard's wife, and Howard was shot and killed.

LORD LOHNE reached Boston yesterday morning. He would not take a conveyance to the hotel, but, accompanied by the English Consul and members of his party and followed closely by a detective, walked leisurely to the hotel.

G. C. GIBNEY has presented a novel plan to the New York Legislature. He proposes to dam the Hudson near Peekskill for re-enforcing the supply of drinking water for New York. The estimated expense of the dam is \$1,000,000.

THE trouble between the coal operators and miners at Pittsburg is without the prospect of an adjustment, the operators refusing to pay a sliding scale. The operators refuse to pay over three cents a bushel. It is predicted that there will be a national strike in June.

A MAN named Bell has been arrested at Turbott, N. C., upon suspicion of having murdered his wife because she would not sign a deed. The body was exhumed, despite Bell's threats to shoot any one who should attempt it, and the neck was found to have been broken.

FOWLER BROS., who own and operate a very large packing establishment employing several hundred men at Kansas City, have issued an order that all their employees while either on or off duty must abstain from the use of intoxicating liquors, and must not visit gambling houses.

THE business failures for the past seven days number 189, as against 197 last week, and 182 the week previous. The distribution is as follows: New England States, 74; Western, 54; Middle, 26; Southern, 41; Pacific States and Territories, 10; New York City, 12, and Canada, 32.

IS a campus fight between the graduating class of sophomores and juniors of the Illinois Normal School at Bloomington Thursday night, one Hammers had his skull fractured, and is dying. Two others were seriously, and eight slightly wounded. Clubs, baseball bats and chairs were the weapons used.

W. AND H. TOBIAS, the young Wall-street brokers, who recently lost in speculation the fortune left by their father, and who were reported to have fled to Europe, are en route to Colorado, where they will go into business. They say they will not return to New York until they have made a strike of, at least, half a million.

THE League of Ohio Wheelmen (bicyclists) have declined the invitation of the State Board of Agriculture to make bicycle racing a feature of the Ohio State Fair this year. The declination was made because the fund set apart by the Board was insufficient to defray the expense of building a suitable track and providing prizes.

JOHN BARTON, late of Adams county, Ill., and father of the notorious Lizzie Barton, the female horse-thief of Central Illinois, died Wednesday at Wapello, Ill. Barton was well known as a crook in Adams county, where he and his two sons were sent to the State prison for a term for receiving property that Lizzie had stolen.

At Salt Lake City some days ago Nelse Boukoffsky reported that he had been robbed of \$5,000 in money by his hired man from his house, where he had taken it to keep over night. It now turns out that he really spent the money for a bogus gold

brick, which expert swindlers worked off upon him, pretending it had been stolen, and offering him a chance to double his money.

By the collision of a Lehigh Valley train with a Philadelphia and Reading train, at the crossing of the former road with the Bound Brook road to Philadelphia, Thursday morning, the rear coach of the Philadelphia train was overturned, and at once caught fire. All the passengers were extricated before the flames reached them, but thirteen received injuries, two probably fatal.

At Boston a half barrel and forty-eight bottles, which contained beer and other liquors, were found in the squalid room where the police discovered four children, the oldest aged nine, in a shamefully neglected condition. Their mother died last June, and their father, Robert Doe, imprisoned them ever since. There was only one bed on the premises, though there were two mattresses and other things which would shock the sense of decency to a scribe. The children were taken to a almshouse.

### A FRONTIER INCIDENT.

A Lively Fight in Which Twenty-four Shots Were Exchanged and One Woman Killed.

VAN BUREN, ARK., April 15.—A lively fight took place to-day about twelve miles east of Van Buren at the little town of Alma, on the L. R. and G. Railroad, between Deputy Sheriff Couch and a posse of eight men and a desperado named Wm. Purse, in which about twenty-four shots were exchanged, resulting in the killing of Purse's wife or sister—it is unknown which—and the wounding of one of the posse in the arm. The facts are about as follows: A woman arrived in Van Buren about one month ago from Barry county, Mo., in search of William Purse, who, she said, was her husband, and that he was living in this (Crawford) county, stating at the same time that Purse was an escaped convict from the Missouri penitentiary, to which he had been sent for two years for horse stealing. After his escape she lived with him for over two years, when one night he took their only child and ran off. Hearing of his being in this county she followed him with a view of recovering her child. She swore out a writ for bigamy, as she found him living with another woman here. At the same time she sued out a writ of habeas corpus to compel him to surrender the child. In executing these writs the fight took place. It seems that Purse was plowing in his field, and no doubt apprehending trouble had a pair of revolvers hanging on the lines of the harness. The sister or wife saw the posse approaching, ran to Purse with a Winchester rifle, and before the posse got in range with shotguns and pistols, Purse, without a word, opened fire, holding the posse at a safe distance until their ammunition was exhausted, until they, strange to say, left the field in a body. The Sheriff organized another posse, and will make another raid on the desperado.

### Will Not Hippodrome.

NEW YORK, April 15.—The arrangement to exhibit Schaefer and Vignaux in various Western cities has fallen through. The American Sport says:—Halls had in some cases been engaged, but owing to the mistake made at one point in advertising the game as a "match" instead of an exhibition, Schaefer very properly refused to be a party to the arrangement and it fell through entirely. It was just as well so, for while it is no doubt true that there was a very strong desire to see Schaefer and Vignaux cross axes, if only an exhibition game, and there was a great deal of disappointment at the abandonment of the plan, the management thereby avoided the risk of being censured by cautious critics and malicious enemies for going into something that might have been misrepresented as a hippodroming tour. Moreover, Vignaux was still sore over his defeat, and in no humor to play fun games with anybody, least of all with Schaefer. The latter, therefore, left for the East Tuesday evening, intending to stop over at Pittsburg while Mons. and Mad. Vignaux, accompanied by Dan Strauss, took the limited express direct to New York Wednesday afternoon.

### Lon Houck's Trial.

COLUMBUS, O., April 15.—The chance are that the trial of Lon Houck, set for a hearing at Delaware on the 26th inst., will not take place on that date, as the prosecution has experienced considerable difficulty in securing the necessary information in regard to witnesses. One of the most important is dead, and therefore cannot be served with legal process, while another has enlisted in the regular army recently, and his whereabouts is unknown.

### Too Much Sugar for a Cent.

CHICAGO, April 14.—The second trial of the suit of John D. Weber, an aged real estate dealer, against Colonel Abner Taylor, for \$25,000 damages for criminal intimacy with Weber's wife, Ella Weber, was begun this morning before Judge Rogers. The first trial of this case, which occurred last January before the same Judge, resulted in a verdict of one cent damages for the plaintiff.

### An Unnatural Father.

MONTICELLO, ILL., April 15.—James Talbert, a farmer, was arrested here yesterday, charged with a criminal assault on the most outrageous character on his thirteen-year-old daughter. He was sent to jail in default of \$2,000 bail. The particulars of the brutal affair are unfit for publication. Great indignation is expressed and fears are entertained that Talbert will be lynched.

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